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Applicants: Van Kessel et al.

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed April 6, 1998, Applicants enclose herewith a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements, a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.497(a) and (b) and a check in the amount of \$65.00 for the surcharge (payable as a Small Entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e)) associated with filing the oath or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application. Additionally, Applicants enclose herewith for filing a Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status and a Recordation Form Cover Sheet with an Assignment document

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If the Office has any questions concerning this application, it is respectfully requested that an authorized official contact the undersigned attorney by telephone at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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